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COOPER and BRUCE Hard-ware Merchants, corner of Bridge-ſtreet, Edinburgh, having DISSOLVED, by mutual conſent, their Copartnery, it is expected that all who are indebted to the Company will, without delay, pay what they owe to JOHN BRUCE, one of the Partners, who is fully empowered to receive and diſcharge the debts due to them, and alſo to ſettle and pay all juſt demands upon the Company.

The buſineſs will be hereafter carried on in the ſame ſhop, head of Bridge-ſtreet, under the firm of JOHN AND A. BRUCES, who beg leave to inform the Public, and all who favoured the former Copartnery with their orders, That they have laid in a moſt complete aſſortment of Hard-ware, Jewellery, Plated and Japanned Goods, and of all other articles in the way of their buſineſs; and as they will make it their particular ſtudy, that their goods and their prices ſhall give general ſatisfaction, they hope for a ſhare of public favour.

ROBERT KERR Haberdaſher,

Firſt flat ſtair on the High ſtreet below the Bridge, Edinburgh,

BEGS leave to acquaint his Friends and the Public, That he has juſt got to hand, a neat aſſortment of HABERDASHERY GOODS, particularly Printed Cottons, plain, ſtripped, and flowered Muſlins, and Tamboured Aprons, Lawns, Laces, Modes, Sattins, Ribons, &c. &c. Which will be ſold on the loweſt terms.

He takes this opportunity of returning his thanks for former favours, and hopes to merit a continuance of them.

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Black, White, and Coloured Sattins for Cardinals.	Bombazeens and Crapes.
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INTERNAL DEFENCE FOR SCOTLAND.

THE COMMITTEE who met at Edinburgh the 5th day of Auguſt laſt, to conſider of a ſafe and conſtitutional defence for Scotland, and who formed the Sketch of the Bill for the better ordering of the Fencible Men, which was circulated to the Counties, are requeſted to meet at Fortune's on Friday the 22d current, at two o'clock afternoon.

MORAY, Preſes.

THE Commiſſioners appointed by the Counties for conſidering and carrying forward the plan of a ſafe, uſeful, and conſtitutional defence for Scotland, are requeſted to meet the original Committee of the Noblemen and Gentlemen who met on the 5th of Auguſt laſt, to have a conference concerning this important and intereſting buſineſs, on Tueſday the 26th current, at Fortune's, at one o'clock afternoon.

MORAY, Preſes.

Greenlaw, Nov. 8, 1782.

THE Noblemen, Gentlemen, and Heritors of the county of Berwick, having at a former meeting, on 1ſt October laſt, had under their conſideration the preſent ſtate of the national defence of Scotland, obſerving, that Committees are now appointed by other counties, to meet at Edinburgh on that ſubject; and being again aſſembled this day, in terms of an advertiſement in the news-papers (the Earl of Home Preſes) nominate and appoint the Right Honourable the Earls of Home and Lauderdale, Lord Binning, the Honourable George Baillie of Jerviſwood, Sir John Stuart of Allanbank, Sir Alexander Don of Newton, and Sir James Pringle of Stitchill, Baronets, John Swinton of Swinton, Alexander Renton of Lamerton, Walter Scott of Harden, James Haig of Bemerſide, Alexander Hay of Mordington, Eſq; Mr David Home advocate, George Home clerk of Seſſion, Roger Robertſon of Ladykirk, John Fordyce of Ayton, James Dickſon of Antonſhill, and Thomas Cockburn of Rawchester, Eſquires, or any three of them, as a Committee to meet at Edinburgh, with the other Committees in Scotland, and with them deliberate, concert, and determine upon any plan that ſhall be judged moſt proper and advantageous for the internal defence of Scotland; and thereupon concur in an application to Parliament, to have the ſame paſt into a law, in order to be carried into execution. And appoint the preſent proceedings to be inſerted in the Edinburgh news papers.

(Signed) HOME, P.

WHEREAS on the night of Saturday the 2d, or morning of Sunday the 3d day of November inſtant, a Work-Shop in the Candlemaker-Row of Edinburgh was broke into, and Candles and Taſſow to a conſiderable value, with ſundry other articles ſtolen and carried off,——Notice is hereby given, That on diſcovery and conviction of the perpetrators of this ſhop-breaking, a reward of TEN GUINEAS will be paid by the Incorporation of Candlemakers of Edinburgh.——Not to be repeated.

Borough of BERWICK UPON TWEED.

November 11. 1782.

BROKE OUT OF THE GOAL of this borough, early on Saturday morning laſt, WILLIAM WILLIAMS, otherwiſe WILLIAM HALL MEER, otherwiſe JOHN LOGGS, committed to the ſaid goal for forgery. He is about 28 years old, five feet ſix inches high, has fine ſmall teeth, a ſmooth face, his noſe inclining to the Roman caſt, dark brown hair, has a ſmall white ſpeck on his right eye-lid. From a diſlocation of the two large bones of his right or fore arm, there is a perceptible largeneſs of the wriſt; and, on that account, he makes much uſe of his left hand. He was dreſſed in a brown ſurtout coat, a black ſattin double-breaſted waiſtcoat, black breeches, and had no buckles in his ſhoes. He was born in Wales, has had a good education, and came to Berwick in the character of a ſchoolmaſter, where he paſſed off two forged bills; and in order to obtain credit, and to prevent ſuſpicion in circulating his bills in other places, he has hired himſelf as an uſher to clergymen who kept ſchools, and as an articled clerk to attornies.

Whoever will apprehend him, and bring him to ſaid goal, or ſecure him in any of his Majeſty's goals, ſhall receive a reward of TEN GUINEAS from me,

ROBT. DICKSON,
Keeper of the ſaid Goal.

Juſt arrived in town,

A Neat Aſſortment of Foreign China and Flint Glaſs, to be SOLD by auction, in St Mary's Chapel, Niddery's Wynd, on Monday the 18th inſtant, and to continue for a few days.

Among the above aſſortment are the following Articles, viz.

Setts of Rich Tea China, Cups and Saucers, Sallad and Baking Diſhes, Jars and Beakers, Bottles and Baſons, Setts of Muggs, Japanned Dreſſing Boxes for Ladies Toilets, a variety of rich Bowls, a number of Table Plates, a good aſſortment of Cut and Engraved Flint Glaſs.

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To the CREDITORS of JOHN JAMIESON of Langſide.

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Edinburgh, 30th Oct. 1782.

THERE is to be SOLD, by way of public roup, on the ſhore of Dornoch, in the county of Sutherland, upon the 12th day of December next.

The HULL of a New-built Oak Swediſh Veſſel, burden 320 tons or thereby, in a ſhattered condition, ſtranded on the ſaid ſhore, with her rigging and Cordage, together with a quantity of New Cable Rope and Sails, with ſeveral Anchors: As alſo, her Loading of Fir Deal, Fir and Oak Plank of different dimenſions, and large Fir Spars; together with a goodly quantity of Pipe and Barrel Staves. The purchaſers to have three months credit on lodging ſecurities.

For further particulars, enquire at Baillie Hugh Maculloch of Dornoch, prior to the roup day.

N. B. The roup to begin by ten o'clock in the forenoon, and to continue till all is ſold off.

At London—for Leith and Borrowſtounneſs,

THE ENDEAVOUR,

THOMAS PADON Maſter,

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THO. CHURNSIDE, Haberdaſher and Tea-Dealer, in Crichton Street, by George's Square, returns his grateful thanks to his Friends and the Public for the encouragement he has hitherto received;—and begs leave to acquaint them, That Mrs CHURNSIDE is juſt returned from London; where, and at the principal manufacturing towns in England, ſhe has carefully ſelected

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Muſlin Handkerchiefs.	Variety of Silk Handkerchiefs.
A variety of Shawls.	Ginghams.
Chintz printed Cottons, and printed Linens.	Lenonges.
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N. B. All the above articles ſold to dealers at the wholeſale prices.

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To the Printer of the CALEDONIAN MERCURY.

SIR,

I HAVE attended to all the publications in your uſeful paper, regarding Freehold qualifications—the letters and obſervations of an *Old Freeholder*—the ſpirited reſolutions of the counties of Moray, Inverneſs, and Caithneſs—and the various reſolutions of other counties, at the different Michaelmas Head Courts, upon the ſame ſubject. All of them ſeem to aim at one point, "for obtaining redreſs and relief from nomi-"nal and fictitious qualifications."

The intention is laudable, and I hope will be ſucceſsful, if confined within proper bounds. But, perhaps, the zeal of reformation, in ſome counties, may be too forward, and carry them beyond both legal and reaſonable bounds.

One county propoſes to aboliſh ſuperiority votes of every kind, even ſuppoſing the ſuperiority to be in the holder and his heirs for ever.

Queritur, Would not this tear up the ancient law of Scotland by the root? Any perſon holding ſuperiority in perpetuity to him and his heirs for ever, is certainly as independent a member of the ſtate, and muſt be as much attached to its intereſt, as any proprietor of land whatever.

Another reſpectable county, mentioned in your paper of the 6th current, has reſolved, (only by a majority of votes) "That "none ſhall have votes for election to Parliament, except thoſe "who have both property and ſuperiority united in their per-"ſons."

Quer. 1*mo*, Is this either reaſonable or neceſſary?

2*do*, Is it practicable or proper?

If I am not miſinformed, above a tenth part of the valued rent of that ſame county is veſted, either in property or ſuperiority, in three Peers; and thoſe Peers have entailed (unalienably) all thoſe eſtates of property and ſuperiority, by which means the vaſſal, proprietor of the lands, under ſuperiority, never can unite the ſuperiority with the property. And ſo, by this county reſolution, he neither can elect, nor be elected, into Parliament, whatever the extent of his fortune may be.—The reſolution ſeems to be raſh and unguarded.

As the law of Scotland ſtands, if a proprietor of lands, ſo circumſtanced, acquires ſuperiority in perpetuity (not by wadſet or liferent) of other lands, to the amount of the valued rent required by law, he is as much an independent Freeholder as thoſe who hold both property and ſuperiority united in their perſon.

Your admitting this ſketch into your paper will oblige,

Sir, your's, &c.

Nov. 9. 1782. J. S.

INTELLIGENCE FROM LLOYD's, *November* 12.

The Sally, Brailey, from Falmouth to the Weſt Indies is taken by the Leſtre French frigate. The Captain arrived at Portſmouth the 30th ult.

Elſinore, 26. Arrived a Dutch man of war (a two-decker): She has on board an Engliſh Captain of a merchant ſhip, and ſix men; the prize is ſent to Hamburg. The man of war is very leaky, and reports, a 68 gun ſhip belonging to the States was ſunk upon the Dogger Bank, and all hands loſt.

The Eden, Wilkinſon, from Newcaſtle, got on ſhore on the Swin Bottoms, but got off, and is gone to Copenhagen to heave down.

The Wandringſmanden, Dutch, has been wrecked on the coaſt of Holland; part of the cargo ſaved.

The Stadt Revall, Gerken, from Archangel to London, is totally loſt in the White Sea.

The Adventure, Norman, Union, Norfar, Hope, Brigs, and Thomas's Adventure, M'Inch, loaded with coals, which ſailed with Lord Howe's fleet, having loſt the convoy, were taken off the Burlings by two ſmall Spaniſh privateers, and carried into a port near Liſbon. Their crews are at Liſbon.

From the London Papers, Nov. 12.

Hague, Oct. 27. The Prince Stadtholder hath judged it neceſſary to eſtabliſh a Committee of five members to aſſiſt him in his important and numerous occupations by their advice relative to marine affairs. The five members are Meſſieurs Wykerhold Biſdom and Vender Hoop, Advocates-Fiſcals of the Colleges of Admiralty, in the department of the Meuſe and Amſterdam, the Vice-Admirals Reynſt and Zoutman, and Rear-Admiral Van Kingſbergen, all of the latter department.

Hague, Nov. 5. We have received a confirmation of the diſagreeable news of the loſs of the Union man of war, in the North Sea, on the 19th of October, in ſight of two other ſhips of the State, and all the crew periſhed.

LONDON.

Yeſterday advice was received from Falmouth of the arrival of the Hampden packet from Liſbon. She left the Tagus the 29th of October, and brings intelligence that four tranſports laden with coals for Gibraltar, that ſeparated from Lord Howe are taken, and their crews landed at Liſbon. We are ſorry to obſerve, that when ſhe ſailed, there was no account whatever of the Ville de Paris, or any of the other ſhips belonging to that unfortunate fleet.

Many people begin to be uneaſy for the arrival of the Buffalo man of war, which Lord Howe ſent home with a duplicate of his diſpatches, ſuſpecting that ſhe has fell in with the French ſhips that ſailed the latter end of laſt month from Breſt.

We hear that General Dalling, with a large body of troops, will ſhortly embark for the Weſt-Indies, and that twelve line-of-battle ſhips will certainly accompany him. Every preparation is now making at Portſmouth to expedite the victualling of theſe ſhips immediately on their arrival, and it is ſaid they will go out under the command of Admiral Hood.

There has been for ſome months paſt, ſo great a ſcarcity of proviſions in moſt of the French Weſt-India iſlands, that a great number of their ſlaves have periſhed for want. The laſt accounts received from Guadaloupe confirm the reports which have been circulated in France for ſome time.

By letters received yeſterday from France, it appears, that Monſ. de Vinſeumille, with four line of battle ſhips and two frigates, ſailed from Breſt the 20th of October. Theſe men of war in all probability are gone to the Weſtern Iſlands, in queſt of the Ville de Paris; and ſhould they find her in any of thoſe neutral ports there is not a doubt but they would take poſſeſſion of her, as the Portugueſe have no forts there ſtrong enough to protect her.

Governour Elliot had at Gibraltar, when the fleet arrived, three months proviſions untouched; but in the articles of powder and ball they began to be very ſhort; ſo that had the relief been poſtponed till after Chriſtmas, they muſt inevitably have been on the point of ſurrendering.

A correſpondent obſerves, that *Captain* ELLIOT *of the* GIBRALTAR, has done more effectual ſervice, with only one tier of guns, in burning and deſtroying the Spaniſh Armada, than all the fleet of Lord Howe put together; the St Michael of 74 guns, is alſo captured by that gallant officer.

The Union man of war, loſt in the North Seas, according to the Amſterdam Gazette, was a new ſhip of 68 guns, and belonged to the Admiralty of that place.

The Union is the ſeventh ſhip of the line the Dutch have loſt this war. Two were taken juſt at the commencement; a third in the Weſt Indies; one was loſt in the Dogger Bank engagement, and another in the Texel, by the careleſſneſs of the pilot; to which is now to be added the Union, loſt in the North Seas.

Lord Mansfield appears this term as vigorous and active as at any period during his long adminiſtration of juſtice in the Court of King's Bench, and what is ſurprizing he ſtill retains that quickneſs of judgment for which he has always been remarked, and which enables him to enter into the moſt obſcure points as it were by intuition.

It is very likely there will be a partial change in the Miniſtry; in that caſe, the following it is ſaid will be the arrangements: The Duke of Grafton firſt Lord of the Admiralty, to be ſucceeded by Lord North as Privy Seal; Mr Pitt Secretary of State; Mr Jenkinſon Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr Townſhend Pay-maſter of the forces.

All thoughts of a ſeparate peace with the Dutch, which has been induſtriouſly reported to be near a concluſion, we are aſſured is entirely vaniſhed.

It is ſaid that orders have been diſpatched to America to ſtop the evacuation of Charleſtown.

Extract of a letter received from an Officer of diſtinguiſhed rank in Lord Howe's fleet.

"Lord Howe's conduct in the late ſkirmiſh was highly meritorious. He did all that the moſt ſkilful officer could do to bring the enemy to action, yet they thought it moſt prudent to decline engaging, though they had at that time the advantage of the wind. They were aſtoniſhed at his excellent method of forming his line. Had we had room to have formed in the Straits, you might have had a ſight of Don Cordova."

Extract of a letter from Leghorn, Oct. 27.

"The combined fleet have broke up their campaign ſomewhat diſgracefully, having ſuffered the Engliſh ſquadron, inferior to them by 16 ſail, to relieve Gibraltar; their attack and battle in the Straits was ſtill more diſgraceful; we do not learn that the whole ſquadron went to Cadiz; on the contrary, they are ſaid to have left ſeven large ſhips for a winter cruiſe, to prevent the garriſon having ſupplies from Barbary."

Extract of a letter from the Camp before Gibraltar, dated 10 *September* 19th.

"General Elliot having ſent a ſloop with a flag of parley, to ſettle the exchange of the priſoners in his hands, and having mentioned to our General, that he would take particular care of the wounded, and that he had viſited the hoſpital himſelf, for the purpoſe of ſeeing if his orders on that ſubject were properly executed.

"The Duke de Crillon returned the following anſwer: "The ſucceſs of arms is very uncertain; I had machines allotted to me for making my attack againſt you, which were not at all agreeable to me—they ought to have been much better, to have oppoſed a General of your abilities, but I was forced to obey. I return you a thouſand thanks for the care you have taken of our officers. The attention which the two Courts, for whom I command, deſerve, ſhould excite your benevolence to their ſoldiery; I recommend them to your generoſity, and you may be aſſured of the ſaid kind treatment to yours," &c. The eight officers, two almoners, and naval ſurgeons, who were ſent back by General Elliot, report, that they were informed by the officers of the garriſon, that their General, on ſeeing the floating batteries anchor ſo cloſe to the place, could not refrain from ſhedding tears;—"See, my friends," ſaid he to his troops, "to what dangers obedience expoſes itſelf—the valour and intrepidity of our enemies will be of no ſervice to them; perhaps, they are conſcious of this themſelves, and do not advance the more ſlowly, though they may be convinced of their being maſſacred. Let their obedience animate yours, and I pledge myſelf, that your endeavours will be ſucceſsful, and that the victory will be ours."

The following curious account of the relief of Gibraltar, is extracted from the *Supplement* of the *Ghent Gazette*, Nov. 4. 1782.

Extract of a letter from the Camp at St Roche, October 18.

"We muſt no longer think of a ſiege, but a blockade. The ſuperiority of Lord Howe's manœuvres has fruſtrated all our hopes. The French ſhips indeed being copper bottomed, could have come up with the enemy; but the Spaniſh diviſion not being in the ſame condition, was obliged to remain behind; and as the one could not ſail without the other, and that the expedition was delayed by the bad or heavy ſailers, the Engliſh availed themſelves of theſe circumſtances to make the wiſeſt and moſt prudent manœuvres, by which they kept continually ſix, eight, and even ten miles before the combined fleet; Lord Howe being purſued by them to the coaſt of Africa, found means, with this advantage, to tack in the night of the 16th. The following day, the 17th, the combined fleet ſtruggled againſt the current near the coaſt of Africa, while the Engliſh, with an Eaſterly wind, were ſeen from the coaſt of Seville, and thus beating up two miles from Europa Point, they threw into Gibraltar all the tranſports with proviſions, and then continued their courſe to return into the Atlantic. The 18th the combined fleet came into the Straits, and it does not ſeem the ſiege is intended to be continued, as nothing is ſpoken of but their immediate return to Cadiz. Since the ſupplies the enemy have received, their batteries have fired in a moſt tremendous and dangerous manner for our lines. Our officers are averſe to the ſiege, and ſince the 17th we have been obliged to ſleep under the canopy of the heavens, as the ſtorm of that day overthrew and demoliſhed all our tents. At leaſt thirty veſſels were drove aſhore, by which 36 or 40 men periſhed. Don Lewis de Cordova was of opinion not to go out of Algeſiras Bay, thinking he would certainly have an opportunity of attacking the enemy on their return. The officers of his fleet thought otherwiſe; but now regret they did not follow his advice. Ship-builders have been ſent with great haſte to Cadiz, to ſheath the Spaniſh ſhips with copper, *in order, no doubt, to overtake Lord Howe.*"

EDINBURGH.

Extract of a letter London, November 12.

"This morning, a Court Martial, conſiſting of Sir Charles Howard, as Preſident, and ſixteen other General Officers, aſſembled at the Horſe Guards, to inveſtigate the charges exhibited by Sir William Draper againſt Lieutenant-General James Murray, late Governor of Minorca, for miſbehaviour in a variety of inſtances, previous to the ſurrender of that iſland.

"The point chiefly conſidered was, the propriety or impropriety of leaving a certain poſt, called Stanhope's Tower, undemoliſhed, when it was thought neceſſary for the troops to abandon it, thereby furniſhing the enemy with a place of concealment, if not of ſhelter.

"Captain Townſend, an engineer, was examined, who gave it as his opinion, that the place could be of no material ſervice to the enemy, as the walls were very thin, and not able to reſiſt the fire of our cannon, which could have played upon and deſtroyed it in a very little time, had that meaſure been thought neceſſary. Being aſked if he could account for the ſtables and other offices being left, after it was thought expedient to deſtroy the houſe? he ſaid that horſes were kept in them, and they were uſeful for other purpoſes. It appeared there was a farm-yard at this place, which was ſituated in ſuch a hollow, that had there been no buildings, and the enemy could have reached the ſpot unperceived, they would have been completely hid from the view of the garriſon.

"Colonel Bruce was interrogated by Sir William Draper as to the ſame matter, and he coincided in opinion with Captain Townſend, declaring he thought the poſſeſſion of the poſt in queſtion of no material ſervice to the enemy.

"Several other witneſſes were examined. As there are many charges againſt the Governor, and a great number of witneſſes to be examined, it is expected this important trial will continue for a conſiderable time."

Thurſday laſt, David Rae, Eſq; finiſhed his trials by reporting an Inner Houſe cauſe, which was unanimouſly approved of. The uſual oaths were then adminiſtered to him; after which he took his ſeat on the bench by the title of Lord Eſkgrove.

On the 17th of October laſt, fifty-ſeven children, in the pariſh of Gaſk, were inoculated at the houſe of Gaſk. Except one, they all took the infection, and are now happily recovered. It is to be preſumed, that if gentlemen of landed property would aſſiſt their tenants in defraying the expence attending it, the country people would get over their averſion to this practice, and inoculation ſoon become general through Scotland.

We have the pleaſure to inform the public, from undoubted authority, that a cargo of near 1000 bolls of fine barley is arrived at Dunbar from Germany, and that many more cargoes of different kinds of grain are ſoon expected from abroad.

We are informed that Sir Patrick Blake has taken into conſideration the high price of wheat, and has given orders to his Steward to provide wheat for the poor of Langham, at 4 s. 6 d. a buſhel, from the 1ſt of November 1782, to Old Mayday 1783. It is hoped that gentlemen of fortune, in other pariſhes, will follow the example ſet by ſo worthy a benefactor.

A ſhip arrived yeſterday at Leith from Peterſburgh, brings advice of a Dutch ſhip of the line being wrecked on the Dogger Bank, and all the crew periſhed, and another had arrived at Elſineur with a convoy, having ſix feet water in her hold.

Governor Carleton's laſt diſpatches to the miniſters, contains poſitive advice that the combined forces of France and America are to make an attempt againſt Halifax in Nova Scotia, as ſoon as the Britiſh fleet returns to the Weſt-Indies, notwithſtanding the ſtill inclement ſeaſon, againſt which the laſt frigate that arrived at Boſton from France has provided the troops, by an additional quantity of warm woollen clothing. A gentleman, now reſiding in Dublin, lately an eminent planter in the province of South Carolina, is not only proſcribed on account of his loyalty to Great-Britain; but his eſtate, in the moſt convenient, fertile, and improveable parts of the colony, amounting to upwards of eleven thouſand acres, confiſcated by a decree of Congreſs.

Several people having expreſſed their ſurpriſe, that, for ſome time paſt, the hands of the Tron Church clock have not pointed to the hours, it may not be improper to mention, that, till the clock is repaired, which is now in the hands of a clockmaker for that purpoſe, this muſt unavoidably be the caſe.

Thurſday, the Rev. Mr M'Call, from Symington, in the preſbytery of Biggar, was received miniſter of the Tron Church of Glaſgow, in the room of the late Rev. Dr John Corſe;—alſo the Rev. Mr Taylor, from the pariſh of Baldernock, miniſter of the new-erected church there, called St Enoch.

Doctor MACFAIT, at his houſe a little below the foot of the Horſe Wynd, continues to teach his uſual courſes of Mathematics in theory and practice;—likewiſe his uſual courſe of Ancient and Modern Geography: and propoſes to begin a claſs of Geography for Ladies, in which it is intended to illuſtrate the deſcription of States and Kingdoms, with a ſhort account of their hiſtory and revolutions to the preſent time.

Extract of a letter from Glaſgow, Nov. 14.

"The froſt was ſo ſevere laſt week, that the river Clyde was froze over, and the diverſion of ſkaiting followed for ſeveral days. Unluckily, on Sunday laſt, a number of children were on the ice, at the Peat Bog, which giving way, three of them fell into the river: Two were, with difficulty, got out; but the third (a girl of about thirteen years of age) was unfortunately drowned. Her corpſe was found next morning.

"Saturday laſt, as a country girl was returning home from this city, with a horſe and cart, the horſe took fright a little north from the Cowcaddens, run off, and threw the girl from the cart: One of the wheels went over her head, and ſo much cruſhed it, that there are no hopes of her recovery."

Extract of a letter from Londonderry, Nov. 8.

"Saturday laſt, the common council voted the ſum of 200 l. towards purchaſing oatmeal, to be ſold out at firſt coſt for the relief of the poor.—And we are informed, the Friendly Annuity Company have alſo generouſly lent 300 l. for the ſame laudable purpoſe; an example, we doubt not, that will be followed by all our wealthy citizens.

"The herring fiſhery is now begun in Lough Swilly; the herrings are remarkably large, thick, and promiſe to be a great relief to the poor."

Extract of a letter from Aberdeen, Nov. 11.

"It is with great pleaſure we inform the public, that at a time when intolerance in religious matters is too prevalent in a great part of this kingdom, an example of a contrary ſpirit has been remarkably exhibited in a certain pariſh of a neighbouring county. When the church was this ſummer taken down and re-building, a diſſenting meeting of the epiſcopal communion gave the congregation a reception for ſeveral months in their chapel, where divine ſervice was performed regularly at different hours on Sundays by each communion, and both congregations with the utmoſt unity and concord were blended together, and attended the ſervice of each other. In return for this liberality of ſentiment in the diſſenters, the congregation of the eſtabliſhment, upon the firſt day of their admiſſion to the new church, made a contribution for the benefit of the chapel, as an acknowledgment of the favour they had received.

Wedneſday the 6th inſt. arrived at Cork, the Lively of and from New-York, Captain Morriſon, by whom we have got the New-York papers down to October 1, and contain the following advices:

Boſton, Sept. 23. His Excellency the Governor, in conſequence of a reſolution paſſed the General Aſſembly laſt Saturday, has iſſued his orders to the ſeveral brigadiers of this Commonwealth, to hold themſelves in readineſs to march on the ſhorteſt notice, to the poſts aſſigned them in and about the harbour of Boſton; and has alſo given orders to put the ſeveral fortifications in a proper ſtate of defence.

His Excellency General Vaudreuil has ſtrongly fortified the iſlands in this harbour.

New-York, Oct. 1. Yeſterday arrived his Majeſty's ſhip Diomede of 44 guns, —— Frederick, Eſq; commander, with the ſhip Edward, Captain Couper, the ſhip Roſamond, and brig Favourite, under her convoy from London. She put into Charleſtown with the ſhips deſtined for that port, which came out under her protection from England, and ſailed from it with the above-mentioned veſſels 18 days ago.

A gentleman juſt arrived from Carolina ſays, that a few days before he ſailed, a party of Britiſh troops under the command of Major Doyle, were attacked in ſome part of that province, by a body of rebel cavalry commanded by Colonel Laurens, who, with many of his followers were killed, and the remainder drove off the field with very little loſs on the ſide of the King's troops.

Friday laſt was ſent in by his Majeſty's ſhip Amphion, Captain Bazely, a large Spaniſh ſhip called the Eloiſa, Don Juan J. Anxianna, maſter, from the Havannah, for Cadiz, with 1200 boxes of ſugar, ſome hides, and about 12,000 dollars. She ſailed from the Havannah on the 12th ult. and was taken the 17th. ult. in lat. 33. and 1-2, long. 70.

On Thurſday laſt, was held at the Muſæum of the SOCIETY OF THE ANTIQUARIES OF SCOTLAND, the Anniverſary Meeting, in remembrance of the original formation of that literary Aſſociation, which has ſo juſtly attracted the attention and regard of the Public; on which occaſion the Earl of Buchan, as Founder and Chairman, in the abſence of the Preſident, delivered a diſcourſe, of which the following are extracts, that may not be unintereſting to ſuch of our readers as feel for the honour and reputation of this country, intimately connected with ſo patriotic an inſtitution:

"*My* LORDS *and* GENTLEMEN!

"IT is with great ſatisfaction that I do myſelf the honour "to appear a ſecond time in this place, to celebrate, with the

" friends of my country and of literature, the Anniverſary of " the formation of this Society.

" Thomſon and Arbuthnot have been deſtined for the ho- " nours of your Temple of Fame; and an original portrait of " Wallace having been diſcovered, you may now embrace the " opportunity of ſetting him in the higheſt niche.

" I flatter myſelf, therefore, that a Society, conſiſting of be- " twixt two and three hundred perſons, many of whom are " bleſt with the gifts of fortune, will not permit themſelves to " be accuſed of ſordid inattention to the pecuniary intereſt of a " community, which, by their membership, they have, as it " were, pledged themſelves to the Public to uphold, and whoſe " honour is thereby involved in their own.

" I have not followed the example of the Jewiſh lawyers " myſelf; but came forth, from the beginning, to throw my an- " nual mite into the Treaſury: Let others, better able by their " circumſtances of fortune, do as I have done, and the Socie- " ty will flouriſh.

" The printed accounts of the inſtitution and progreſs of this " Society, which, at your deſire, was publiſhed by Mr Smellie, " has found its way into the literary circle. Copies of it have " been preſented in your name to many of your honorary mem- " bers, and to thoſe who had ſtept forth to patroniſe the Soci- " ety; and I am happy to learn, that it has had ſome effect to " promote the intereſt of the community from whom it came.

" The Public, however, ſeems to expect ſome more ſubſtan- " tial proofs of your importance; and it becomes neceſſary for " us to cauſe ſuch a ſelection to be made of the tranſactions of " the Society, and of ſuch curious or uſeful papers as have " found their way into your repoſitories, and ſhall, after a ju- " dicious and careful examination, be deemed fit for its eye.

" For this purpoſe, it will be neceſſary that, in the courſe of " the enſuing winter, your Council and Cenſors apply them- " ſelves to ſatisfy the learned world with a chaſte, ſelect, and " intereſting volume of original papers, which may have the " happy effect of adding both to the reputation of the Society, " and of the country to which it belongs.

" I ſhould now proceed to enumerate a few of the moſt im- " portant communications which have been made to the Socie- " ty ſince the laſt meeting to celebrate the Anniverſary of their " formation, were it not that I apprehend, that thoſe whoſe zeal " was equal, but their opportunities unequal, to the foremoſt " of our benefactors, might juſtly regret a diſplay which might " give a ſuperior luſtre to the ſons of fortune.

" I cannot, however, avoid mentioning the valuable collec- " tion of oriental money, and other curious particulars, pre- " ſented by an honourable member of the Society, who will, I " am perſuaded, not limit his benevolence to the intereſts of ſo " popular an undertaking.

" From another honourable member, to whom the Public " looks forward as the contingent repreſentative of one of the " moſt illuſtrious families in Scotland, we have received a very " valuable collection of medals, Scots and Engliſh money, and " curious dreſſes of foreign countries.

" From the Rev. Dr Abernethy-Drummond we have late- " ly received the whole manuſcripts of the celebrated hiſtorian " and poet William Drummond of Hawthornden, conſiſting of " thirteen volumes; which donation, ſo generouſly beſtowed, " will, I hope, be exemplary, and productive of ſimilar exer- " tions in favour of the republic of letters, through the channel " of this Society.

" The liſt of donations preſented to the Society, ſince the " publication of your catalogue in May laſt, makes a very re- " ſpectable appearance; and I am ſorry, from the rule I have " impoſed on myſelf, to be deprived of the ſatisfaction I ſhould " have had in the mention of names.

" The gift of Dr Abernethy-Drummond being immediately " on our table, and recently preſented with peculiar generoſity, " has forced me to report it as part of the ordinary buſineſs of " the day.

" Having now, my Lords and Gentlemen, performed the " retroſpective duty of this day, I deſire to expreſs my anxi- " ous hope, that the future and increaſing zeal of the Members " of this Society, and of the country, in promotion of the lau- " dable objects which we have in view, will enable us to become " more and more reſpectable; and that this new and uſeful li- " terary aſſociation will produce men, within itſelf, capable of " forwarding the intereſt of the community, and of increaſing " the literary fame of a country, hitherto untried, in the de- " partments to promote the elucidation of which we have come " together.

" I have obſerved with concern, that, when the pleaſure ari- " ſing from the novelty of our undertaking had paſſed, few " were diſpoſed to contribute to the intereſt or welfare of the " Society; but that many, from whom I expected better things, " have contented themſelves with the amuſement of paſſively at- " tending our meetings, without ſtudying the nature of our un- " dertaking, or attempting to enable the Society to avail itſelf " of public confidence, to weather the ſtorms which ariſe from " the blaſts of envy, or to watch over the diſeaſes to which in- " fancy is ſo ſubject. I flatter myſelf, however, that the una- " bating zeal which I have ſhewn for the proſperity of the So- " ciety, will bring forth others fitter than I am to undertake ſo " arduous a taſk.

" Theſe are the official heirs by whom I wiſh to be repre- " ſented: and when I can have the happineſs to behold ſuch ar- " rived to the maturity of action, and to the fitneſs of ſucceſ- " ſion, I deſire no longer to touch ſociety, or to obtrude myſelf " on the public.

" My imagination, kindled by the ſparks brought from the " Altar of Patriotiſm, which has burnt too much of late in Bri- " tain, with the factious flame of ſelf-intereſted zeal, excites in " my mind the pleaſing phantoms of future proſperity to this " Society, and the verification of my dreams in behalf of my " country. I ſhall continue my zeal to the laſt; and, when the " thread of my life ſhall be cut by Him in whoſe view there are " no antiquities, and to whom the ages of ages are but as ye- " ſterday, congenial ſpirits will, I hope, delight to hover round " this Chair, and excite him who ſhall ſit in it, to inſpire his " countrymen with zeal for the cauſe of virtue, liberty, and " uſeful learning; liſten to the muſic which lifts the grovelling " ſoul to heaven, or ride on the ſparkling wave of a patriot " bumper, filled at your Sympoſium, to the memory of ſome " great benefactor to his country, ſome ſtrenuous defender of " the rights of humanity: or ſome virtuous ſage, who ſhall have " taught mankind the road to the ſtars and to immortality."

After the buſineſs of the Society was ended, the Members dined together at Fortune's tavern; where many hours were ſpent in ſocial intercourſe, uninterrupted by the ſmalleſt inva- ſion of that decorum and well-regulated mirth, ſo eſſential to the happineſs of ſociety, whilſt the circling glaſs gave occaſion to the Honourable mention of names, at once expreſſive of the loyalty and patriotiſm of the company.

His Majeſty's health was twice drank; firſt as the Chief Ma- giſtrate of the kingdoms; and then, as the Patron of Litera- ture and the Arts. Oſſian, Wallace, Bruce, Fletcher of Sal- toun, and other Illuſtrious Ornaments of Scotland, were remem- bered with honour; and Sir James Grant of Grant, with the Independent Freeholders in Scotland, were not forgot: and, on the whole, ſo intereſting a meeting of feſtivity has hardly been known in the remembrance of any who had the pleaſure of par- taking of "that feaſt of reaſon and that flow of ſoul."

For the CALEDONIAN MERCURY.

SHIRE OF AYR, ON FREEHOLD QUALIFICATIONS.

ON the 29th of October, *Mr Montgomery of Coylsfield*, now the father of the county, as being at the head of the roll of Freeholders, having come in late, *Sir Adam Ferguſſon* was put in the chair of the Quarter Seſſions, and was continued in it, when the real proprietors of land took under their conſideration the circular letter concerning an application to Parliament to have freehold qualifications in Scotland eſtabliſhed upon a better footing.

Mr Boſwell of Auchinleck began the debate, by ſaying, that this was a matter of great importance; but, in his humble opinion, the preſent ſtate of it was attended with no difficulty; for the other counties in Scotland, whoſe reſolutions were notified in the circular letter, had not entered upon the extenſive and difficult field of political regulation, ſo as to conſider what would be the beſt mode of a county election. They went no farther than to the abolition of liferent and wadſet ſu- periority qualifications, which, it was very clear, were a grievance. The ſubject had been often diſcuſſed, and every body was very well ac- quainted with it. He ſhould not therefore take up the time of the meeting with ſaying one word upon it, unleſs he ſhould hear ſomething in oppoſition to the reſolutions of thoſe counties, with which he moſt heartily concurred, as he hoped this meeting would do without heſi- tation.

Sir Adam Ferguſſon ſaid, he did not think it a good reaſon for agree- ing with the reſolutions of the other counties in Scotland, that they inſiſted to aboliſh certain freehold qualifications, without ſuggeſting what ſhould come in their place. That, for his own part, he wiſhed that electors in Scotland were more numerous, ſo that our elections might approach nearer to thoſe of England: That cutting off liferent and wadſet votes, would diminiſh the number of our electors; and that it was well known, that however ſtrange it might appear in ſome in- ſtances, the right of voting being attached to ſuperiority, and not to property, was no innovation, but the ancient conſtitution of Scotland. He was ſenſible that our election law ſtood in need of amendment; but that much caution and conſideration would be neceſſary; and unleſs ſome other ſpecies of qualification was pointed out to come in place of what was meant to be aboliſhed, he was certain that an application to Parliament would be unſucceſsful.

Sir Adam ſpoke exceedingly well; and what has been now given, is a very imperfect recollection of the ſubſtance of what he delivered.

Mr Boſwell ſaid, that he perfectly agreed with the Honourable Ba- ronet, in wiſhing that the elections of Scotland might approach nearer to thoſe of England; for his own part he wiſhed, that ſentiments of civil liberty were univerſally diffuſed among the *people* of Scotland, who, it muſt be confeſſed, had, at no period of hiſtory, ever appeared to have any ſuch ſentiments. The only liberty about which they ſeemed to be concerned, was eccleſiaſtical liberty, and particularly an oppoſition to Patronage, of which at preſent their heads were full: That the right of election in Scotland had never deſcended lower than *Barons*; and what was a ſhameful circumſtance, the ſmaller Barons thought they had obtained a *privilege*, when they were exempted from ſitting in Parlia- ment. But, as he had already ſaid, the meeting was not now called upon to conſider any thing but the immediate remedy of what was un- doubtedly a grievance. There muſt, ſaid he, be certain *principles of repreſentation*, and I can ſee but two reaſonable principles; a repreſen- tation of *men*, or a repreſentation of *property*. But there is a ſpecies of repreſentation unknown in any part of the univerſe except in Scotland —a repreſentation of *ſhadows*; for the nominal and fictitious qualifica- tions upon liferent and wadſet rights of ſuperiority, are indeed no bet- ter. I know, that many men of undoubted probity have taken the oath of truſt and poſſeſſion with one of thoſe qualifications, though I would not for the world. But I am clearly of opinion, that ſuch qua- lifications ought not to be permitted. I ſhall frankly acknowledge, I do not think it a matter of very great conſequence who is the repre- ſentative of a county; for I avow, that my principles are of a Tory caſt. Sometimes, in a fit of Roman enthuſiaſm, I have thought a member of Parliament ſhould be a man of pure patriotiſm, with enlarged views for the general good of his country, regardleſs of all inferior motives; but, when in a more rational frame, I have thought, (as I believe moſt of us think, would we honeſtly ſpeak out,) that a member of Parliament is juſt a fowler for the county; and that he who brings down moſt birds, that is, moſt places and penſions for his conſtituents, is the beſt mem- ber. I have indeed obſerved, that this fowler is chiefly careful of him- ſelf in the diſtribution of the fowls; and he puts me in mind of the honeſt Iriſhman, who, when three of them ſat down to ſupper with two chickens and a turkey before them, ſtuck his fork into the turkey, and ſaid, "every man his bird." But be the member patriot, or be he courtier, let him be choſen fairly by the county. I do not take upon me at preſent to point out in what mode. I have not made up my mind as to two capital queſtions. One is, Whether, if property is to be the principle, a gentleman ought not to have a number of votes, in proportion to his property, in proportion to his ſtake? The other, What ſhould be the influence of a reſpectable body of landed proprietors, who have had the delicacy not to be here; I mean the Peers? The Hon. Baronet ſays, that ſtriking off liferent and wadſet votes would diminiſh the number of electors. I take leave to deny this. It would diminiſh the number of *voices*, but it would not diminiſh the number of thoſe who have *a free choice*, who alone ought to vote; for it is well known, that ſuch voters have no will of their own, but are mere machines to utter the will of the perſon who has created them. I therefore move, "That the practice which has prevailed for ſome years in Scotland, of "creating qualifications by ſplitting ſuperiorities, and conveying the "ſame in parcels upon liferents and wadſet, is unconſtitutional, and "deſtructive of the right of real Freeholders; *ſuch qualifications being "nominal and fictitious*: And that this county ſhall appoint a commit- "tee to meet with the gentlemen of other counties on this ſubject."

This motion was ſeconded by *Mr Fairlie of Fairlie*, and *Col. Craw- ford of Crawfordland*, and was alſo ſupported by *Sir William Cunningham of Robertland*.

Sir Adam Ferguſſon, his brother *Mr George Ferguſſon*, *Mr Smith of Dron- gan*, and ſome other Gentlemen, inſiſted, that the words of the motion which declared life-rent and wadſet votes to be nominal and fictitious, ſhould be left out, as containing a reflection upon ſuch Gentlemen as had taken the oath upon ſuch votes. Sir Adam was very earneſt, and appealed to Mr Boſwell's underſtanding, and to his feelings.

Mr Boſwell declared, that he meant no ſevere reflection againſt ſuch Gentlemen; but as he was clear and firm in his own opinion, that whatever others might think, and ſwear, "ſuch votes were truly no- minal and fictitious, he wiſhed to aſſert that opinion in the moſt public and direct manner: And if, upon the queſtion being put, it ſhould carry as the opinion of this meeting, he ſhould glory in having made the motion. That the Shire of Ayr was a moſt reſpectable county, and had, in the year 1741, and upon other occaſions, diſtinguiſhed itſelf with remarkable ſpirit; and he hoped its reſolution, upon this impor- tant conſtitutional queſtion, would be plain and bold. That it would be a high gratification of his ambition to repreſent the real Freeholders of a reſpectable County, Gentlemen living upon their eſtates, with whom he could mutually enjoy good beef and claret, as worthy friends and neighbours, to receive their inſtructions when going up to parliament, and, to the beſt of his abilities, promote the advantage of the County in general, and of the Freeholders as individuals. But it pained him to the heart, that theſe honeſt and honourable Gentlemen ſhould be de- prived of their repreſentation, by a parcel of votes invented by the cun- ning ingenuity of certain lawyers: He felt how much this County had ſuffered by theſe votes, and wiſhed to embrace an opportunity of being *at* them.

Mr Hamilton of Sundrum, *Mr Cunningham of Lainſhaw*, and ſeveral others, having declared that the motion would meet with their ſup- port, Sir Adam Ferguſſon begged leave of the meeting to reſign the Chair; an abdication which met with a very ſtudy concurrence; and *Mr Montgomery of Coylsfield*, who had expreſſed himſelf in favour of the motion in a very animated manner, being choſen *Preſes*,

The queſtion was put, and the motion carried by a majority of two or one.

LEITH SHIPPING.

ARRIVED,

Nov. 14. Oſwald, Beattie, from Berwick, with oats.
Ochiltree, Wiſhart, from Torry, with coals.
Peggie, Thomſon, from Alloa, with ditto.
Iſobel and Maty, Harlow, from Borrowſtounneſs, with ditto.
15. Hewke, St Clair, from Stockton, with cheeſe.
Fellowſhip, Maclaren, from Alloa, with coals and whisky.
Katty and Peggy, Skirving, from Petersburgh, with dales, &c.
16. Cumberland, Wilſon,
Barbara Gray, Gray,
Jean, Barr,
Hopewell, Havitt, from Wiſbiſh, with apples. } from Alemouth, with oats

SOUND SHIPPING.

PASSED,

Oct. 18. Lively of and from Dundee, Webſter, for Riga, in ballaſt.
Peggy of and from ditto, Kid, for Petersburgh, in ditto.
Dolphin of and from ditto, Roſs, for Riga, in ditto.
Hercules of and from ditto, Greig, for ditto, in ditto.
Concord of and from ditto, Niſh, for ditto, in ditto.
Leviathan of and from Dyſart, Nichols, for Memel, in ditto.
Nancy of and from Limekilns, Bonner, for ditto, in ditto.
Counteſs of Hopetoun of and from ditto, Lamb, for ditto, in ditto.
King of Pruſſia of Dantzick, Hart, from Borrowſtounneſs, for Dantzick, in ditto.
Nelly of and from Montroſe, Greig, for Memel, in ditto.
Matthieſon of and from ditto, Jolly, for Riga, in ditto.
Maria of and from Borrowſtounneſs, Henry, for Memel, in ditto.
Eliza of and from Leith, Samſon, for Dantzick, in ditto.
19. Venus of and from Dyſart, Normand, for Memel, in ditto.
Grafton of and from Dundee, Adams, for Riga, in ditto.
Eliſabeth of and from Dyſart, Beveridge, for Memel, in ditto.
Ducheſs of Hamilton of and from Borrowſtounneſs, Kay, for ditto, in ditto.
Ann of and from Inverkeithing, Martin, for ditto, in ditto.
Six Siſters of and from Leith, Thomſon, for Riga, in ditto.
20. Janet and Jean of and from Kincardine, Cumming, for Riga, in ditto.
Peggy of and from Kirkcaldy, Bett, for Memel, in ditto.
21. Neptune of and from Dyſart, Mitchell, for ditto, in ditto.
Peggy of and from Aberdeen, Mackenzie, for ditto, in ditto.
22. John of and from Aberdeen, Law, for Memel, in ditto.
Peggy and Betſy of and from Carron, Ruſſell, for ditto, ditto.
Jean and May of and from Alloa, Smith, for Copenhagen, in ditto.
Peggy of and from ditto, Paterſon, for Memel, in ditto.
26. Siſters of and from Sealock, Matſon, for Dantzick, in ditto.
Margaret of and from Culroſs, Millar, for Riga, in ditto.

P. S. The Kitty and Peggy of Leith, Skirving, who ſailed from this the 12th inſtant (as mentioned in my laſt) was put back by contra- ry winds, and now remains in this roadſtead.

Arrived a few days ago, a Dutch frigate, ſuppoſed to be from Am- ſterdam; ſo that we have now three Dutch ſhips of war in this roads ſtead.

Arrived this day, a Dutch 64 gun ſhip, from the North, and a good many Engliſh ſhips came up, in company with her, from the Cahl.

ELSINORE, Oct. 26. 1782. Wind W. N. W. WAL. WOOD.

ORKNEY SHIPPING.

Sailed from Stromneſs,

Oct. 28. Betſy of Portſoy, Gardener, from Sky, for Leith.
Randal of Inverneſs, Miller, from Garlough, for ditto.
Counteſs of Thurſo, Sinclair, from Lochmaddy, for ditto.
29. Two Brothers of and from Aberdeen, Molles for the fiſhery.
Three Brothers of North Bergen, Monſon, from Banff, for Sky.

In the Long Hope of Walls,

Nov. 2. His Majeſty's frigate Mercury, Captain Carlyon.
King George, Fowler; and the Prince Rupert, Chriſtopher, both from Hudſon's Bay, under convoy of the frigate, for London.

In Kirkwall Road,

Oughton tender, Captain Roſs.

ERRAT. in the advertiſement of the firſt meeting of Mr Tytler's Claſs, for WEDNESDAY the 18th, read MONDAY the 18th inſt.

THE Dealers in LONDON PORTER in this City, from the great advance made upon that commodity by the Brewers, beg leave to inform the Public, That, on Monday next, they will be under the diſagreeable neceſſity of raiſing it Sixpence per dozen.

Edinburgh, 16th November 1782.

LIEUTENANT GENERAL MACKAY, Com- mander of his Majeſty's Forces, &c. in North Britain, hereby gives notice, That he is ready to receive propoſals from any perſon or perſons willing to ſupply, by contract, BREAD for his Majeſty's We- ſtern Fencible Regiment, now lying in Edinburgh Caſtle.

The Bread is to be made of flour of good marketable wheat, out of which the firſt bran has been taken by means of an eight ſhilling cloth. Each ſoldier's allowance of this bread, for four days, is a well-baked loaf of ſix pounds.

The propoſals to be ſealed, and addreſſed to John Melvill, Eſq; Se- cretary to Lieutenant General Mackay, on or before Friday the 22d current. Not to be repeated.

Meeting of the Feuars of the Extended Royalty.

THE General Half-yearly Meeting of the Feuars of the Extended Royalty of the City of Edinburgh for November, is to be held in Prince's Street Coffeehouſe, upon Monday the 18th of November current, at twelve o'clock noon. As matters of the moſt general and greateſt importance are to be under conſideration, punctual attendance is intreated.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

THE Creditors of JOHN SMITH late ſhipmaſter in Ely are deſired to meet by themſelves, or others authoriſed by them, in the houſe of Andrew Mackie in St Monance, on Monday the 25th November current, when meaſures will be taken for their payment; and before that time it is requeſted, that notes of their debts may be lodged with Patrick Plenderleith writer in Pittenweem. It is alſo deſired that ſuch as are indebted to ſaid John Smith will make payment to ſaid Patrick Plenderleith, who is authoriſed to receive and diſcharge the ſame.

Not to be repeated.

TO BE LET,

THE HOUSE of COATS, with Garden and Offices.— As alſo an incloſure of 25 acres or thereby, as poſſeſſed by Lord Covington, now deceaſed, for ſuch a number of years as ſhall be agreed upon.

For further particulars, apply to William Finlayſon, or Harry Guth- rie junior, both writers in Edinburgh.

The ſervants at the houſe will ſhow the premiſſes.

TO be LET and entered to immediately,

A CONVENIENT BREWERY, with Malt- barn, Loft, Kiln, &c. in the neighbourhood of Edinburgh:— And to be SOLD, a Complete Sett of Brewing Utenſils, all in good condition.—Alſo, a parcel of Hops.

This Brewery has been well frequented for many years, and has plenty of good water.

For particulars, enquire at the Publiſher.

AT BORROWSTOUNNESS—FOR LONDON,

THE UNITY,

JAMES MELVIN Maſter,

For JAMES GRINDLAY,

Is now taking in goods, and will ſail the 2d of Decem- ber, with or without convoy.

The Unity mounts ſix nine pounders, beſides ſwi- vels, and men in proportion. Good accommodation for paſſengers

TO THE PROPRIETOR OF

PETTON's NERVOUS CORDIAL DROPS.

" SIR,

" I WAS ſeized by the influenza about the beginning of ſummer, " and continued long badly. I had recourſe to the beſt advice, but " found myſelf no better. I was for two months in ſo reduced a ſitu- " ation with faintings, ſickneſs, and other languid complaints, that my " life was deſpaired of, being thought in a deep conſumption.——At " length, being adviſed to try Petton's Nervous Drops as a reſtorative, " I took firſt a doſe of the true Daffy's Elixir, and then the Nervous " Drops, according to the directions; and, by the time that I had " made uſe of one bottle and a half of the above Drops, found myſelf, " from a moſt pitiable condition, reſtored to my health and ſtrength, " inſomuch that I am now able to work for the ſupport of my family. " —The above I with to be made public, for the good of others.

(Signed) JOHN HORSEBURGH.
Shoemaker in Niccolſon's Park.

Petton's-much famed Nervous Cordial Drops.

To all Afflicted with Nervous and Weakly Complaints.

THESE Drops are a moſt innocent preparation, of the ſineſt Caſtor. —Caſtor is much given by the moſt knowing for raiſing and compoſing the ſpirits. But nothing like this elegant preparation of Caſtor has ever appeared in this country, as it not only preſently ſtrengthens the ſtomach and whole body, but gives a firmneſs to the conſtitution. The maker has had many acknowledgments of nervous conſumptions, palſies, and all paralytic diſorders, convulſion fits, epilepſies, rheumatiſms, with many other languid diſeaſes, being perfectly cured by this valuable and nouriſhing cordial, which, for ſafety, may be given to the youngeſt infant. In bottles of 6 s. and 3 s.

CHEMICAL OR PECTORAL DROPS;

Prepared from honey and the richeſt balſams, being a moſt efficacious and ſpeedy cure for Coughs, Colds, Chincoughs, Aſthmas, Phthiſics, Wheezing, Shortneſs of Breath, and all ſorts of Conſumptions. They have long had a great demand for being as reſtorative as Aſſes Milk, but much more healing and powerful. They may alſo be uſed with great advantage along with Aſſes Milk, as their effects are ſo quick. They carry off a cold in young or old in two or three times uſing.—In Bottles at 3 s. and 1 s.

An uncommonly fine ſort of DAFFY'S ELIXER, which has been long prefered by able judges to any other kind, and is particularly adapted for ſtomach and ſcurvy complaints, cholics, &c.—In large ſquare bottles, at 1 s. 6 d. and phials 6 d. each.

ITALIAN WASH BALL, which is of the ſame quality with the Milk of Roſes and Allum Meal, but goes much farther,—is more convenient for carriage and uſing, as it can neither be broken or ſpilt, and has an agreeable perfume. Price 1 s. each.

N. B. The above has been long ſold with great ſucceſs by the undermentioned Mrs YAIR, who will ſatisfy any as to particulars.

They are ſold by C. WATERSTON, at her ſhop, Lawn Market; A. Smith, Bridge Street; R. and E. Yairs milliners, Writer's Court, Edinburgh; William Coke bookſeller, Leith; James Duncan and James Gillies bookſellers, Glaſgow; John Gillies bookſeller, Perth; Thomas Chapman merchant, Dundee; William Ritchie merchant, Arbroath; D. Buchanan bookſeller, Montroſe; Mrs Thomſon bookſeller, Aberdeen; Alexander Davidſon bookſeller, Inverneſs; Francis Jollie bookſeller, Carliſle; Alexander Niſbet bookſeller, Berwick; and William Watſon bookſeller, Greenock.

LANDS & TENEMENTS at PORTO-BELLO, And a HOUSE in NICOLSON's STREET,

FOR SALE.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the Exchange coffeehouſe, in Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 20th of November curt. betwixt the hours of four and five afternoon,

That part of the Lands of FREEGATE, lying in the pariſh of Duddingſton and ſhire of Edinburgh, on the ſouth ſide of the high road leading from Edinburgh to Muſſelburgh, immediately to the ſouth-weſt of the old houſe known by the name of *Porto-Bello*, conſiſting of about 12 Engliſh acres, with ſtable, barn, and byre, and other office-houſes, preſently poſſeſſed by Allan Livingſton, by tack for nineteen years from Matinmas laſt, but in which there is a breach at the end of the firſt eight years; together alſo with ſeveral Tenements of HOUSES at Porto-Bello, poſſeſſed by different tenants, with a garden; all holding feu of William Muir, Eſq; of Caldwell.

The houſe, preſently in the natural poſſeſſion of the proprietor, conſiſts of three rooms, a kitchen, and garrets, with hen-houſe, rabbit-houſe, and other conveniencies. The garden, which is likewiſe in the proprietor's poſſeſſion, conſiſts of about an acre of ground, incloſed by brick and ſtone walls, which are lined with fruit-trees of the beſt kinds, and which, with a row of eſpaliers round the garden, have been yielding fruit for theſe two years paſt.

Theſe ſubjects are agreeably ſituated near the ſea, about half-way betwixt Edinburgh and Muſſelburgh; and ſeveral of the houſes have been hitherto let to families for the benefit of ſea-bathing, and have the conveniency of ſeveral ſtage-coaches paſſing to and from Edinburgh ſeveral times a day.

Part of the grounds afford proper and agreeable ſituations for building on, and might be feued out in lots to advantage; and, ſhould the purchaſer incline to carry on a brick and tyle work, or a pottery or brown pot-work, the grounds afford proper clay near the ſurface, of which brick of an excellent quality was made ſome yearsago.

At ſame time to be ſold,

A HOUSE lying on the eaſt ſide of the ſouth end of Nicolſon's ſtreet, being the third flat above the ground ſtorey of that ſtone tenement nearly oppoſite to Mr Gib's meeting-houſe, built not many years ago, conſiſting of three rooms and a kitchen, with an excellent cellar, and other conveniencies, preſently poſſeſſed by Mrs M'Donald, at the moderate rent of 10 l. and with which a garret in the ſame tenement will likewiſe be ſold. The purchaſer will have right to a pump-well, and a green for drying clothes.

The articles of roup, with the progreſs of writs, are to be ſeen in the hands of George Clapperton writer in Edinburgh. John Provan, baker at Porto-Bello, will ſhow the ſubjects there; and thoſe wanting information as to further particulars, or who would incline to treat for a private bargain preceding the day of ſale, may apply to the ſaid Geo. Clapperton.

JUDICIAL SALE.

TO be SOLD by judicial roup, within the Parliament or New Seſſion-houſe of Edinburgh, before the Lord Ordinary on the bills for the time, upon Monday the 25th day of November curt. betwixt the hours of four and five afternoon,

The ACRES of LAND, extending to Seven

and a Half, or thereby, lying within the liberty of the burgh of Renfrew, being part of the unentailed ſubjects which belonged to the deceaſed James Campbell of Blythſwood, Eſq; which, for a tack of nineteen years, are proven to be well worth 21. 5 s. per acre, and which, for the ſeven acres and a half, amounts to 161. 17 s. 6 d. The proven value and upſet price is 388 l. 6 s. 3 d.

Some of theſe acres are preſently let at no leſs than 4 l. 19 s. per acre; and although they are proven to be worth only 16 l. 17 s. 6 d. of yearly rent in whole, for a nineteen year's tack, yet, by the proof, it appears, that to let them ſeparately, or by acres, they might bring a higher rent; and accordingly they do actually yield at preſent 23 l. 12 s. 6 d. of yearly rent.

By adjournment, at ſame time to be ſold,

The HOUSES and YARDS at CLAYSLOP, which belonged to the ſaid deceaſed James Campbell, the upſet price of which was formerly 161 l. ſterling, but now lowered to 60 l.

The title-deeds of the whole, with the articles and conditions of roup, are to be ſeen in the hands of Mr John Callendar one of the depute-clerks of ſeſſion, or George Clapperton writer in Edinburgh; and perſons wanting information as to further particulars will pleaſe apply to the ſaid George Clapperton.

TO be SOLD, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Friday the 22d November curt. at five o'clock afternoon,

The Lands and Eſtate of BALLOCHMYLE,

lying in the pariſhes of Mauchline, Sorn, Stair, and Auchinleck, and county of Ayr.

There is an elegant manſion houſe upon the premiſſes, fit for the immediate reception of a large family, with ſuitable offices of every kind. The garden, ſhrubbery, and lawn, in which the houſe is ſituated, have been lately finiſhed in the modern taſte;—the whole in thorough repair.—There is wood to the amount of 1500 l. upon the eſtate, which conſiſts of 2000 acres, and affords two freehold qualifications.

Particulars may be had of George Martin and Thomas Smith, writers, Argyle's Square, Edinburgh, and Mr Spottiſwood, Sackville Street, London.—Mr Bruce, factor at Ballochmyle, will ſhow the place.

PRICES REDUCED.

JUDICIAL SALE

ADJOURNED TO WEDNESDAY THE 20th DAY OF NOVEMBER 1782.

BY authority of the Court of Seſſion, there is to be expoſed to SALE by way of public roup, within the Parliament or New Seſſion Houſe of Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 20th day of November 1782, betwixt the hours of three and five afternoon, before the Lord Ordinary on the bills,

The FOLLOWING SUBJECTS, which belonged to WILLIAM TAYLOR, late Writer in Edinburgh,

LOT I.

The TOWN and LANDS OF SOUTHFODD, *alias* SOUTHFIELD, and whole pertinents thereof, lying within the pariſh and regality of Dunfermline, and ſheriffdom of Fife.

Theſe Lands hold of the Crown. The free yearly rent of the ſtock, after all deductions, is proven to be	L.	252	5	5 6-12ths.
Excluſive of the lime-quarry, which is proven to be worth of yearly rent,		10	0	0
And the proven free teind of theſe lands is		2	5	6 1-12th.
Proven free rent of ſtock and teind,	L.	264	10	11 7-12ths.

The SUPERIORITY of the KIRKLANDS of COUPAR, and others, lying within the pariſh of Coupar, and ſhire of Fife, holding blench of the Crown. The annual feu-duty payable out of theſe lands to the ſuperior is two-pence Sterling yearly, the double thereof at the entry of each heir, and 20 l. Sterling at the entry of each ſingular ſucceſſor. The valued rent is 264 l. Scots.

The lands of Southfodd, along with the above Superiority, make up a qualification to vote for a member of Parliament in the county of Fife, and are now to be expoſed to ſale in one lot at the reduced price of 6000 l. Sterling.

LOT II.

The Lands of ETTRICKHOUSE or ETTRICKHALL, with the teinds and whole pertinents, lying within the pariſh of Ettrick and ſheriffdom of Selkirk, holding of the Crown.

The proven free yearly rent of theſe lands, ſtock and teind, is 136 l. 15 s. 6 d. 10-12ths Sterling; they afford a qualification to vote for a member of Parliament in Selkirkſhire; and are now to be ſet up at the reduced price of 2000 l. ſterling.

LOT III.

THAT INCLOSURE conſiſting of fifteen acres, and ſix falls of ground in the fields of Inverеſk, commonly called the Weſter Fore-Brae, with the teind-ſheaves and pertinents of the ſame, lying within the pariſh of Inverеſk, and ſheriffdom of Edinburgh, holding feu of the Duke of Buccleugh, for payment of 2 l. 4 s. Scots of feu-duty. The proven free rent of which lands, ſtock and teind, is 30 l. 17 s. 7 d. 3-12ths Sterling; and the ſame is now to be expoſed to ſale at the reduced price of 700 l. Sterling.

The articles of roup, &c. will be ſeen in the hands of Mr Alexander Roſs depute clerk of Seſſion.

TO be SOLD by public roup in the Exchange coffeehouſe, Glaſgow, on Wedneſday the 18th December next, between the hours of twelve and two mid-day,

The LANDS of DALMARNOCK, NEWLANDS, KINNYHILL, and BURNBANK,

lying in the neighbourhood of Glaſgow, either in whole or in ſuch lots as ſhall be condeſcended upon at the roup, all lately pertaining to Mr Gray of Dalmarnock; and, if not then ſold, theſe parts which are not in tack, will be let for the enſuing crop.

For further particulars apply to Gilbert Hamilton merchant in Glaſgow, or Patrick Robertſon writer there.

The Creditors of the ſaid Mr Gray are hereby required to lodge with Mr Hamilton the truſtee, their grounds of debt, with affidavits to the verity thereof; and all perſons indebted for coals, are entreated immediately to pay the ſame to the truſtee, or Mr Robert Gray, who has power to diſcharge the ſame.

Orders for coals given in at Mr Hamilton's writing-room, Queen-ſtreet, will be punctually executed.

LANDS in the County of Kincardine to SELL.

THERE is to be SOLD, by voluntary roup, in the houſe of Alexander Maſon vintner in Aberdeen, on Friday the 20th day of December next, betwixt the hours of four and five afternoon,

ALL and HAILL the Lands of ARTHURHOUSE, and Teinds thereof, both great and ſmall, comprehending alſo the lands of Thornylee and Sootywalls, as the ſame are preſently poſſeſſed by Alexander Chriſtie, David Brand, John Miln, John and Andrew Dorwards, David Burn jun. and the heirs of James Robertſon, tenants therein, lying within the pariſh of Garvock, and county of Kincardine; conſiſting of about 200 acres of good arable land, 100 acres or thereby of greenſward paſture, which has been incloſed, and an extenſive paſture beſides in the hill of Garvock, and muirs of Tulloch and Davah. The lands are of a very good ſoil, pleaſantly ſituate, and capable of great improvement; within four miles of the lime kilns at Mathers, and eight miles of the ports of Montroſe and Stonehive; and have plenty of good peats in a moſs within two miles, belonging to the lands.—The preſent free rent payable for the whole, after deducing miniſter's ſtipend, ſchoolmaſter's ſalary, and feu-duty, is 80 l. 7 s. 3½ d. Sterling. The lands hold of a ſubject ſuperior, for payment of 12 s. 8 d. Scots of feu duty, and are of valued rent only 131 l. 15 s. 6 d. Scots. The leaſe on Arthurhouſe expires at Whitſunday 1791. Thoſe on Sootywalls, and moſt part of Thornylee, are during the lives of the tenants; but the purchaſer will have an option to enter to the natural poſſeſſion of about 36 acres at Whitſunday 1783, and ſix acres more at Whitſunday 1784.

The title-deeds, which are clear, together with the articles of roup, to be ſeen in the hands of the proprietor at Whiterigs, in the ſame county; who will alſo ſhow the grounds to any perſon intending to purchaſe.

Sale of a Shop, with a Houſe and Two Cellars,

IN SHAKESPEARE's SQUARE.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the Britiſh Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 5th day of February next, between the hours of five and ſix afternoon,

The SOUTH SHOP in the northmoſt new Tenement of Hill's land, Shakeſpeare's Square, New Edinburgh, neatly fitted up; and Three BACK ROOMS adjoining to ſaid ſhop, on a level with the ſtreet; together with the Two Southmoſt CELLARS in the ſunk area fronting ſaid ſhop, as the whole are preſently poſſeſſed by Mr Robert Dickſon baker, at the low rent of 18 l. Sterling

Theſe ſubjects hold few of the Town of Edinburgh, for payment of one penny yearly, if aſked, and of five ſhillings upon the entry of each heir or ſingular ſucceſſor.—The purchaſer's entry to theſe ſubjects to be at Whitſunday next, and the price to be payable at that term.

The title-deeds, which are clear, with the articles and conditions of roup, may be ſeen in the hands of Adam Stewart writer in Edinburgh, who will inform as to other particulars, and who has powers from John Campbell, the proprietor, to conclude a private bargain before the day of ſale.

Neutral Veſſel for the Iſland of St Thomas.

THE Brigantine FRAW VAU KALCREUTH, Peter Smith maſter, now ready to take on board goods at Greenock, and will be clear to ſail by the 25th proximo.

The Fraw Vau Kalcreuth is a fine ſtout veſſel, copper-bottomed, and will have excellent accommodation for paſſengers.

Apply to Mr Charles Hutchiſon, Glaſgow; or Macaliſter, Fleming, and Company, Greenock.

SUBJECTS IN THE TOWN AND SHIRE OF AYR FOR SALE.

UPON Wedneſday the 15th of January next, within the dwelling-houſe of Robert Wharton vintner in Ayr, betwixt the hours of four and ſix in the afternoon, there is to be expoſed to ſale, by way of public voluntary roup,

The SUPERIORITY of all and whole the Forty Shilling Land of Mucklemains, the Merk Land of Nether Dalhanna, the Twenty Shilling Land of Little Mains, the lands of Over and Middle Parks, with the mill called New Mill; all which lie in the barony of Aſton, pariſh of New Cumnock, and ſhire of Ayr; and were feued by William Logan, Eſq; of Caſtlemains, to Hugh Logan, Eſq; of Logan, and pay of yearly feu-duty 120 l. ſterling, with intereſt after the ſame becomes due, during the non-payment. And there is further payable, 60 l. ſterling upon the entry of each heir, and 240 l. ſterling for each ſingular ſucceſſor.—Alſo, the SUPERIORITY of the half-merk Land of Over Dalhanna, belonging in property to —— Campbell, and paying of yearly feu-duty 25 Merks Scots; all which lands are held of the Crown, and intitle the purchaſer to a vote for a member of Parliament, being upwards of 400 l. Scots of valuation.—Likewiſe, of all and whole that TENEMENT or HOUSE, conſiſting of two ſtoreys beſides the garret ſtorey, lying in the School Vennal of the burgh of Ayr, preſently poſſeſſed by ſaid William Logan, with the offices thereto belonging; to be entered to at Whitſunday next.

The articles of roup and progreſs of writs are to be ſeen in the hands of David Limond writer in Ayr.

SALE OF INCHMARTINE,

Upſet Price Mentioned.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary roup, on Thurſday the 21ſt day of November curt. at five o'clock afternoon, within the Exchange coffeehouſe in Edinburgh, in conſequence of a warrant from the Court of Seſſion,

All and Whole the Lands and Barony of INCHMARTINE,

comprehending the Mains and Manor-place of Inchmartine, Eaſter and Weſter Inchmartine, Pitmiddle, Craigdeallie, Mill and aſtricted Multures thereof; Balgay, Mireſide, and Temple Lands of Greenhead, with the teinds of the foreſaid whole lands, except thoſe of Balgay, all holding blench of the Crown, and lying in the pariſhes of Errol, Inchture, and Kinnaird, and county of Perth.

The free rent is 924 l. 6 s. 3 d. 5-12th Sterling of money, 319 bolls 2 firlots, 2 pecks wheat, 361 bolls 2 firlots barley, and 117 bolls meal, with 365 poultry, beſides a number of carriages payable when demanded.

The upſet price to be 37000 l. Sterling.

This eſtate lies about mid way between Perth and Dundee, on the two public roads to theſe towns, in the heart of the Carſe of Gowrie, which is known to be one of the moſt beautiful and fertile countries in Scotland. It is of great extent, and conſiſts of a proper proportion of carſe and other grounds; the ſoil is of the richeſt and moſt ſubſtantial nature, and produces crops of all kinds of the very beſt quality. The barony meaſure is large, and the victual-farm gives the higheſt prices. The tenants are all in good circumſtances, the rents regularly paid, and no arrears upon the eſtate; which being capable of great improvement, a purchaſer will have every proſpect of riſes as the leaſes drop.

The fine navigable river Tay runs through the Carſe, and there is a harbour in it, within a mile of the eſtate of Inchmartine.

There are many valuable old trees in the Carſe eſtate, and an extenſive thriving young plantation in the hill of Pitmiddle.

The manſion-houſe, which conſiſts of twelve rooms, beſides two wings containing every accommodation for a large family, is in complete order, and ſtands nearly in the center of the eſtate, at a proper diſtance from a large court of offices, a pigeon-houſe, a fine orchard, and a new garden incloſed by high walls, well ſtocked with fruit-trees of all kinds. The farm, which ſurrounds the houſe, and to which, or any part of it, a purchaſer can have acceſs at pleaſure, is ſufficiently incloſed; and the thriving hedge-rows and ſtripes of planting on this part of the eſtate, give a moſt beautiful and luxuriant appearance to the whole place.

The country abounds with game of all kinds; and the valued rent of the eſtate is ſufficient to give nine freehold qualifications in the county of Perth. Above 20,000 l. Sterling of the price, or ſuch part thereof as the purchaſer inclines, will be allowed to remain in his hands on proper ſecurity

The progreſs is clear, and, with the rental, &c. may be ſeen in the hands of Andrew Stuart, jun. writer to the ſignet; to whom, or to John Robertſon writer in Edinburgh, perſons inclining to purchaſe by private bargain betwixt and the day of ſale, may apply.

James Niel gardiner at Inchmartine, will ſhow the eſtate and the houſe.

BY ADJOURNMENT—AND UPSET PRICE LOWERED.

JUDICIAL SALE.

TO be expoſed to SALE, by authority of the Lords of Council and Seſſion, within the Parliament or New Seſſion-houſe of Edinburgh, upon Thurſday the 28th of November curt. betwixt the hours of four and ſix in the afternoon,

All and Whole the Lands of RAEBERRY,

and Three-Fourth Parts of the Lands of BALMAE, which belonged to the deceaſed William Kirkpatrick of Raeberry, as poſſeſſed by William Copeland of Gregory, John Carſon, and Alexander Roxburgh, with the teinds and pertinents thereof, lying within the pariſh and ſtewartry of Kirkcudbright. The groſs rent is proven to be L. 305 0 0

From which deducing the money ſtipend payable to the miniſter of Kirkcudbright,	L.	9	7	6
And the victual ſtipend, being 3 bolls 6 pecks bear, converted at 16 s. per boll, reckoning 8 pecks to the boll,		3	0	0
			12	7 6
Remains of free rent,	L.	292	12	6

The proven value whereof, at twenty-three years purchaſe, is 6730 l. 7 s. 6 d.; but by the authority of the Court, the upſet price is lowered to 6437 l. 15 s. The lands hold of the Crown, and are pleaſantly ſituated on the eaſt ſide of the entry into the bay of Kirkcudbright, within three miles of that borough; commanding a moſt extenſive view of the ſhores of Cumberland, Iſle of Man, and Scots coaſt on the eaſt and weſt. They are of the beſt quality, incloſed and ſubdivided, and the greateſt part well marled and improved; and there is marle in the grounds ſufficient far the reſt of the eſtate.

On the Mains of Balmae there is an elegant double houſe, built and fitted up in the modern taſte, with a neat garden ſurrounded with a high wall, ſtocked with a variety of the beſt fruit-trees; and there are ſeveral clumps of planting on the lands, well fenced, and in a thriving condition.

There are alſo two very good farm-houſes, with ſuitable offices, on the eſtate; and on the weſt ſide there is a port or harbour, and all the coaſt abounds with fiſh.

A purchaſer may enter to the natural poſſeſſion of the manſion-houſe and garden immediately, and to a conſiderable part of the lands about the houſe at Whitſunday next.

The articles and conditions of ſale are to be ſeen in the hands of Alexander Stevenſon depute-clerk of Seſſion; and copies thereof in the hands of Hugh Corrie writer to the ſignet, who will likewiſe ſhow the title-deeds, and give ſuch other information as may be required.

Robert Beveridge writer in Kirkcudbright, the factor, will give directions for ſhowing the lands to any who apply to him.

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